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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 7, 1997, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following claims:

A catalytic system for carbonylation as claimed in claim 1, wherein the catalytic system is (A) and wherein said Group VIII metal source (A1) in said catalytic system (A) is at least one metal selected from the group consisting of cobalt, nickel, rhodium, palladium and platinum, or a compound of said metal.

A catalytic system for carbonylation as claimed in claim 1, wherein the catalytic system is (A) and wherein said ligand (A2) in said catalytic system (A) is at least one member selected from the group consisting of a phosphorus compound, an arsenic compound of TL 03/31/97 08504547 and an antimony compound.

